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## Cooperator Name Out; Members Vote Change

The Greenbelt Cooperator will no longer be the name of Greenbelt's newspaper, it was decided at a membership meeting of the Greenbelt Cooperative Publishing Association on Sunday, November 27.

After several hours of debate, an eight-to-five decision was reached in favor of the change, with a recorded vote. Included in the motion effecting the change was a provision that the president of the association, Ralph Miller, appoint a committee to consider proposed new names to be presented to the membership. The membership will, according to the motion, adopt the name change within three months.

Those voting for the name change were Sally Meredith, associate editor; June Ringel, news editor; Ellie Ritchie, Peggy Winegarden, Aimee Slye, Dorothy McGee, Sid Spindel, and Rae Algaze. Opposed were I. J. Parker, editor; Ralph G. Miller, association president; Carolyn Miller, Jenny Klein, and Charlotte Walsh.

## Rescue Squad Needs More Funds

In response to a recent letter in the Cooperator, the Greenbelt Volunteer Rescue Squad has collected to date \$205.50. According to squad member Milton Laikin, this is largely due to several residents, not members of the Rescue Squad, who have voluntarily solicited many of the Greenbelt families. Others interested in helping solicit funds for the Rescue Squad should contact James Balogh, 1-F Research Road, Greenbelt 7677. The money collected so far is still inadequate to provide proper ambulance service.

The women's auxiliary of the American Legion plans to sponsor a concert to purchase a resuscitator for the Rescue Squad.

## Clothing Drive Success

Over twenty-five hundred pounds of wearable clothing, with a total of four thousands articles, were collected for the National Catholic Welfare Conference clothing drive for European and near-Eastern relief, according to Mrs. Arthur Cusick, president of the Ladies of Charity in Greenbelt.

She also said that many Greenbelters of all faiths contributed with special mention due to the Jewish Community Center, which donated the remainder of its rummage sale articles to the overseas collection.

## Java and Jive

Jive and java will greet the be-bops and squares as a new jukebox was installed in the drug store last week. Acting as an additional source of revenue, the glittering platter spinner is intended for listening only. Dancing will be prohibited because of entertainment tax consequences. A weekly change in fare on the record menu is anticipated, and the "lucky ol' sun" of today will be the "mule train" of yesterday. Police were informed of the new fixture and will watch its effect on misbehavior complaints in the drug store. "If you can't get rid of them, entertain 'em," said one spokesman for GCS.

## Mrs. Kosatka Resigns

Mrs. Dorothy Kosatka resigned as president of the Center School PTA at the November 22 meeting. Members expressed their appreciation for her activity in behalf of the organization and their regret at her leaving. The Kosatkas expect to move into their new home in Rock Creek Forest in early December. Former vice president Marion Slaugh will take over the presidency.

## NCJW Birthday Celebrates Chanukah

The National Council of Jewish Women will hold its annual birthday party on Saturday, December 3, at 8:30 p.m. in the social room of the Center school. All members and their husbands are invited to attend this affair, which will be dedicated to the Festival of Chanukah, celebrated during the month of December.

Thelma Wacks, chairman of the hospitality committee, and Ethel Fisher of the contemporary Jewish affairs committee are in charge of coordinating the plans for the party. Estelle Dolgoff is in charge of reservations; Diane Kramer is in charge of the entertainment program which will feature soloist Ethel Gerring, group singing, and games symbolic of this holiday. Pauline Trattler is in charge of food purchases, Ray Williams and Sonia Garin are in charge of the cuisine; Nettie Granims, table setting and decorations; Gladys Chasnoff and Vivian Pines, hostess and K.P. duty. Part of the proceeds from the supper charge will purchase Chanukah gifts for two women students in Paris.

Among the various services being performed by members for their earning fund are baby sitting, alterations, taxi service into D. C., laundry service, cosmetic parties, etc. For further information regarding these services, call Mrs. Ray William at 2068.

## Special Notice!

Because the high school football game has been changed to Saturday afternoon, the Youth Center bowling league will meet this Saturday evening. Meet at Youth Center at 6:30 p.m. promptly.

## Seniors Game Sunday Features Drill Team

The Greenbelt Boys Club Senior football team will be host to the Capitol Heights Social Club eleven on Sunday, December 4, at Braden Field. The game will start at 2:30 p.m. At half time the drill team from the 1st Battalion of the 3rd Infantry, stationed in the Military District of Washington, will perform.

The senior team has won five and lost two games so far this season. The Capitol Heights game is a return match, the local team having defeated the visitors 7-6 previously. The Capitol Heights team is coached by Johnny Newman, a local resident and District policeman.

The drill team is one of two teams established by the 3rd Infantry to promote public interest in the military. Average age of the soldiers is 19, their average service is 18 to 20 months. They have performed at various public activities twelve times prior to this Sunday's performance. 1st Lt. Harris M. Findlay is drill team commander.

The following Sunday the Greenbelt senior team will meet The Casbah A.C. of Riverdale.

## Woman's Club Holds Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party of The Woman's Club will be held on Thursday night, December 8, in the social room of the community building. Each member is asked to bring a gift suitable for a hospitalized veteran, as well as a smaller gift for exchange at the party. Mrs. Daniel B. Branch will be assisted by Mesdames Daniel B. Littlefield, Thomas R. Freeman, Lyman L. Woodman, Helen Evans, Henley M. Goode, Edward C. Kaighn, Cyrilla O'Connor, Joseph L. Rogers and Stanley R. Edwards.

## Clinic Postponed

The Tuesday morning inoculation clinic at the Public Health Office has been postponed until next Tuesday, December 6, due to the illness of Dr. Hans Wodak. Dr. Wodak was operated on at Cheverly Hospital last Sunday for acute appendicitis.

## Co-op Bus Losses Imperil Service

A strong possibility that GCS' local bus service will be discontinued seemed evident at the GCS board meeting last Friday as directors reviewed with dismay the mounting losses of the operation.

Since December, 1945, when the service began, the bus has lost more than \$8000. The first year of operation, 1945, the bus ran only a few days and the loss was \$145. In 1946 a profit of \$968 was recorded, but each succeeding year the bus has shown losses in increasing amounts: \$2598 in 1947, \$2956 in 1948, and in 1949 an expected minus figure of approximately \$3800.

Final solution to the problem remains a mystery at present, but first steps to action are being taken by the board of directors with a meeting on Monday, December 5 of users of the bus. The directors intend to advise the regular bus riders of the present situation and the likelihood of ending the four-year service.

## Argue Donations

In other action, the board voted to send a letter to the Community Chest County chairman for business organizations answering his request for a donation from the cooperative. Board members argued hotly on the subject of whether or not the board had a legal right to make donations to the Community Chest and other charitable or worthy causes.

Debate was brought to a close when the fact was established that the membership of the organization, early in its history, had voted not to make cash contributions to charities on the grounds that the owner-members of the cooperative make contributions individually. Some organizations, like the Greenbelt Rescue Squad, have received cash contributions from the cooperative upon special petition to the membership.

## JCC Draws For Car At Dance Dec. 10

Drawing for the winner of a Chevrolet car will be a feature of the Jewish Community Center's annual dance on December 10 in the auditorium of the community building. This will culminate the "Buy-a-Brick" campaign for the benefit of the JCC building fund. The name of the seller of the lucky ticket will also be announced at that time.

Another highlight at the dance will be a performance by Marion Kiatta, dramatic soprano of stage, radio, and television, who recently appeared at the Capitol Theatre and is now singing at the "400" super club in Washington. There will also be dancing, comedy, and other professional entertainment.

Ed Pierce and his television orchestra will furnish the music. A photographer will take snap shots of guests, with prints available the same evening.

Tickets for the dance may be obtained from either of the co-chairmen of the social committee, Nathan Shinderman, 5923, or Nathan Schein, 3626.

Books ordered at the PTA Book Fair can be picked up in the theater lobby Saturday morning, December 3, from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

## Council Bones Up On Assessments, Expenses, For Debate On Budget

City Manager Charles T. McDonald this week presented members of the city council with a complete explanation of the 1950 city budget for study before the regular council meeting next Monday night, which is already dedicated to a budget discussion.

In an interview with *The Cooperator* this week, McDonald said that the gist of his transmission message had been given verbally at the November 21 council meeting. He added that while the amount sought next year from Public Housing Administration in lieu of taxes is \$7,634.87 higher than that received from PHA for 1949, it is actually \$1,000 less than that requested from PHA for 1949.

## "Unrealistic" Value

Asked about the contrast between Greenbelt's tax rate and the lower rates prevailing throughout the county, McDonald said that the "unrealistic" assessed value given to Greenbelt by the Prince George's County Assessor's Office causes the Greenbelt tax rate to give a false picture. He explained that the assessed value placed on Greenbelt is approximately \$5,600,000 including both improved and unimproved property. To illustrate the undervaluation, he said that Parkbelt's share of the total was set at approximately \$12,000 in the tax suit brought by the federal government last year against Parkbelt Homes, Inc. The Parkbelt property, however, is currently for sale at a total of \$71,500, nearly six times the assessed value.

## Switch in Books

Aside from the difference in the amount to be requested from PHA, and the 10c increase in the tax rate, both of which stem from an increase of \$12,071.77 in the total budget, the primary difference between the 1949 and the 1950 budgets is one of bookkeeping. McDonald explained that, in order to receive its share of Maryland revenues (such as gasoline and race track taxes), a municipal government must report on municipal expenditures in the manner prescribed by the State. The Greenbelt books have therefore been changed to comply with the prescribed procedure, instead of keeping two sets of books, one for the State and one for city purposes, or

digging the information out of accounts kept in an entirely different manner.

## Expenses Up

The \$12,000 boost in the total budget, according to McDonald, has several major causes. The city's salary-classification ordinance provides for regular annual pay increases, which for 1950 will amount to \$3200; increases in the amount to be paid the State Retirement Board amount to \$3000; insurance increases amount to \$2300, partly because of underestimates for 1949; and a \$500 fund has been set up to cover accumulated-leave liability when employees leave the municipal government. Surfaces of courts, parking areas, and walks, not heretofore included as a city function, have accounted for \$1200 for materials and supplies; the library and music departments account for a \$660 increase; and changing an administrative office position (clerk-stenographer) from part- to full-time adds \$590.

## Expenses Down

Partially offsetting these increased expenses is a \$7,525.64 increase in revenue from State taxes, primarily personal property taxes from businesses reporting through the State Taxing Commission. Also helping to keep the budget down, according to McDonald, are curtailments such as that effected in the Public Health Department by dispensing with clerical help and a reduction in material and supplies; also reduced expenses for the kindergarten. Another reduction planned in operating expenses, he said, will be the cutting of the municipal telephone trunk lines from eight to three.

## Tax Formula

McDonald gave *The Cooperator* the following formula, to figure the tax rate: Divide the amount to be collected (in Greenbelt's case, the funds sought from PHA in lieu of taxes) by the assessed valuation, and multiply by 100. Thus: \$182,000, divided by \$5,600,000, equals \$0.0325, multiplied by 100 equals \$3.25, the tax rate per \$100 of assessed valuation.

If Greenbelt were assessed according to its actual value, McDonald said, the tax rate would obviously be much lower. If, for example, it were assessed at even half its sales value, the assessed value would increase threefold, and the tax rate would be one-third what it is now.

When Greenbelt is sold, McDonald predicted, expansion of dwelling units and commercial properties would increase rapidly, while municipal services to support them would increase only slightly. He said, for example, that the recreation, public health, public safety, and administration departments would require little or no increases even if the population doubled. This, he said, would increase the assessed value even more, thus decreasing the tax rate substantially.

McDonald also predicted that Greenbelt will shortly be reassessed upwards, in line with the county's policy of changing assessments regularly throughout the county. Hyattsville, for example, has received three upward assessments in the past seven years.

## Cub Pack 229 Meets Dec. 8

Cub Scout Pack 229 is being reactivated with Lt. Commander Charles Mandell as Cubmaster. Boys, from 8 to 11 years of age, living in the area south of Eastway, who are interested in joining should contact the registration officer, Fred Birdseye, at 6392. Boys who have formerly belonged to Cub Pack 229 should re-register with him. Assignment to dens will be made next week.

The first meeting of the pack will be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday, December 8, in the home economics room of the community building, when arrangements will be made for a party during Christmas week. One parent of each boy is asked to attend. Regular pack meetings will be held the last Thursday of each month.

Cub Pack No. 229 is sponsored by the Greenbelt Athletic Club.

## Wrong Number

City Manager Charles T. McDonald told *The Cooperator* this week that so many people use the Administration office and the police station for telephone information that he has found it necessary to instruct the offices to stop giving Greenbelt phone numbers except for emergency calls.

Hereafter, he advised, callers should consult their directories or the telephone information service provided by the C and P Telephone Company.

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2. To serve the best interests of the cooperative movement.

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## Deep In The Heart Of Taxes

Any Greenbelter who plans to remain here after our federal landlord steps out of the picture should take in a practice session of establishing his municipal taxes within the next few weeks. The tax is hidden in our rents so long as PHA pays sums to the city in lieu of taxes. But we'll pay it in direct taxes thereafter, and it would be nice if we knew what we're paying for.

Our kindergarten, for example, is the only publicly-supported one in the county. Is it worth it? Should it be supported instead, perhaps, by those families who use it each year?

Or take the swimming pool: How would we rather pay for it? In taxes? Or in increased rates to its users? Would we like to pay even more for the pool by refusing the revenue from out-of-town users?

The recreation department has received a lot of criticism. Would we rather spend tax sums to track down child miscreants and criminals, or do we prefer spending our money letting our kids enjoy their recreational hours constructively?

We had better start right now weighing the worth of a public health department, a library, and a baby playground program. What would be the eventual cost to the community in dollars and cents if they were lacking?

As explained by Mr. McDonald in a news story this week, the Greenbelt tax rate of \$3.25, so widely labeled "exorbitant," is actually false, being based as it is on an "unrealistic assessed value," to use the city manager's phraseology. From what we gather from his remarks, if the assessed value were in line with the actual value, the tax rate when the town expands would be a little over \$1 per \$100 valuation. Suppose the average Greenbelt house is eventually assessed at a value of \$3000, after the town is sold and fully developed. City taxes would average \$30 per year on the present houses, with the budget as is.

Today, Greenbelt Consumer Services pays rent to PHA in the amount of approximately \$35,000; other offices—like Health Association, doctor an dentist offices and the bank, for example—probably account for another \$10,000. Thus before dividing the \$182,000 among the 1800 families, approximately \$45,000 is deducted—leaving an average of \$6 per month per family to cover all city facilities, including fire and police protection.

Are we getting our money's worth?

## End of the Line?

The similarity of recent appeals from Capital Transit and GCS for increased use of the transportation they provide Greenbelt residents does not reflect favorably on the consumer-owned and -operated organization. The co-op bus is a service of enormous importance to local shoppers, especially those who reside a considerable distance from the Center, and its good-will value to the cooperative cannot be underestimated.

Those of us who have listened to the interminable reports of the general manager during quarterly membership meetings have not escaped the repetition of "service . . . service . . . service . . ." that a cooperative offers its members as a whipping post for losses and discouraging financial reports. The variety store, drug store, valet shop, radio repair, lunch counter, garage and movie have all been defended in the past, when their operations were in the red, with the justification of "service" to the consumer.

In a real sense, the members and residents who provide the capital and income for the co-op are entitled to continue the bus service at a loss if they so wish, since they are paying for it themselves. It would be a mistake to discontinue the bus now that bad weather is approaching and dependence on this service will become more acute. We hope that all users of the bus will attend the meeting on Monday called by GCS and help the board discover some means of continuing a real and vital "service to the community." It may be that the "only alternative" is not to discontinue the bus operation.

**WANTED** - Someone to deliver newspaper copy to the printer in Hyattsville three mornings a week. Will pay 50c a trip. Call Greenbelt 6551.

The GVHC membership meeting scheduled to be held December 9 has been indefinitely postponed.

## Bake Sale Saturday

The Fidelis Bible Class of the Community Church will hold a bake sale this Saturday, December 3 from 9:30 'til noon in front of the theater. Donations can be brought to the sale any time Saturday after 9 a.m.

## Our Neighbors

By Rae Algaze, Greenbelt, 7502

### New Babies

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Van Camp, 3-E Crescent, announce the birth of their seventh child and third daughter, Basilla Rose, at Leland Memorial Hospital, on November 22, weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Casey, 14-V-1 Ridge, are the proud parents of a daughter, Ellen Kay, born on November 28 at Prince Georges Hospital, weighing 8 lbs. The Caseys also have a son, Jerry, who is three.

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Allen Jameson, 3, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles V. Jameson, 58-D Crescent, is recovering from injuries incurred when he fell on a glass in his bathroom and cut his hand. Ten stitches were administered at Leland Memorial Hospital.

Youngsters who underwent surgery for removal of tonsils and adenoids last weekend are Dorothy Moran, 4-A Hillside, at Prince Georges Hospital; and Rochelle Chasnow, 36-K Ridge, Robert Whitfort, 8-Q Plateau, and Kenneth Muller, 33-N Ridge, at Leland Memorial.

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The following youngsters underwent tonsillectomies at Leland Memorial Hospital last week: Eric Zust, 15-F Laurel Hill; Leander Aulio, 2-B Northway; and Rose Wirville, 14-J Ridge.

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Several weeks ago, the League of Women's Voters sponsored an excursion to the United Nations Assembly in New York. Mrs. L. Darling, on the faculty of Greenbelt High School, chaperoned the following students: Rosemary Long, Susan Beall, Lura Schonleber, Katherine Mott, Sheryl Logan, Joyce Elder, Janice Fink, Barry Neal, and Jacqueline Snead.

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The movers are busy people these days with Greenbelters moving in and out of town. Included below are several families who have been engaging in that procedure:

The Don Coopers, mentioned last week, have found permanent quarters at the following address: 7338 Forest Road, Kent Village, Hyattsville, Md., and are moving on Saturday.

Glenmont Village, near Silver Spring, Md., has recently claimed three of our families: The Charles O'Learys, formerly of 13-S Ridge; the Thomas P. Berrys of 34-G Ridge; and the Harold McWilliams of 34-F Ridge.

Intra-Greenbelt movers have been Mr. and Mrs. George Pork, now located at 14-U Ridge (phone 2281) and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Long with 7-K Crescent as their new address, and 5828 their new number.

Mr. and Mrs. James Walsh have a new telephone number, 5556.

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Last week, Mrs. Daniel J. Neff, 3-D Ridge, held a surprise stork shower for Mrs. Edna Aylor, a former resident of Greenbelt now living in East Pines. Fifteen guests, including Mrs. Neff's daughter, Mrs. Ruth Conroy of Baltimore, presented the honoree with lovely gifts.

Our sympathies are extended to Mrs. Neff who last Saturday attended the funeral of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Lena Markley in Philadelphia. Mrs. Neff was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. A. Markley.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin B. Gold, 38-J Ridge, had as their guests last week her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Weinschenker of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Greene, 3-K Eastway, are her mother, Mrs. A. Fresco, and her sister, Mrs. Mildren Shaner, and her daughter Helene, all of New York City.

James T. Gobbel, 1-F Gardenway, recently returned from a trip to the west coast with other members of the Expenditures Committee, House of Representatives, a survey of housing in several important cities, mainly in the San Francisco Bay area.

Dr. Leland E. Love, 10 Forestway, spent several days in Chicago this week attending conferences on veterinary research.

Evelyn LaMacchia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip J. LaMacchia, 2-F Laurel Hill, celebrated her seventh birthday with a party on November 21. Brother Kenneth celebrated his on the 29th.

## To The Editor

### APPRECIATION

We wish to express our appreciation to our friends for their consolation and kindness during our bereavement.

Thomas and Edwina Faulkner.

### TRANSIT TALKS BACK

One of your readers sent me your editorial entitled "Battle Over-War On." You might be interested to know that the letter which went to the residents of Greenbelt concerning the greater use of bus service was suggested by residents of your community who are sincerely interested in helping us to better the service. The purpose of my letter was to urge them to ride the vehicles. Only in that manner can we better the service. Capital Transit Company's attitude toward its passengers has been a constant effort to obtain constructive suggestions. If the passengers—who ride our lines continue to dwindle, there is no doubt that the service will have to be tailored accordingly. I don't believe that you feel this would be helpful.

As the publisher of a newspaper you know that you have to meet higher operating costs by raising your advertising rates. If you reduce your rates, you may get more advertising but to no avail if it adds to your losses. The same situation exists with Capital Transit Company. Our operating costs have been caught in the spiral of higher prices and the only real source of revenue we have is from our passengers. We would be glad to furnish any service that the people of Greenbelt will patronize and in doing so pay the cost of operation.

As to our so-called "high rates" and "poor service," Capital Transit's fare are less than almost any other large city you can think of and as to our being a monopoly, you are indicating the inconsistency of this by recognizing our greatest competition—the automobile.

We would appreciate you looking at the question of better transit service from the realistic viewpoint of urging the people to ride our service in order to see it bettered instead of urging them to expand their car pool program.

Very truly yours,  
E. Cleveland Giddings  
Vice President

### RIDES 'N' RIDERS

RIDE WANTED - to vicinity of 19th & F N.W. Working hours, 8:45 to 5:15. Call Mrs. Mack Savyis, 6501 Edmonston Rd., Union 4189.

RIDE WANTED - 17th St. & Pa. Ave. N.W. Working hours 8:45 to 5:30. One way or both. Call Gr. 6347 after 7 p.m., 36-A Ridge.

RIDE WANTED - One way from general vicinity 18th & F, N.W. leaving between 5:20 and 6 p.m. Earl Taylor, Greenbelt 4771.

RIDE WANTED - Vicinity 9th and Constitution Ave. Working hours, 8:30 to 5:30. Call Greenbelt 3562 after 5 p.m.

### Jimmy Faulkner

Jimmy Clyde Faulkner, 10-year old son of Thomas and Edwina Faulkner, 2 M Research, passed away on Thanksgiving Day at George Washington Hospital following an operation. He had been ill five days.

Burial took place in Locust Grove, Orange County, Virginia last Sunday. Services were held Friday at Gasch's in Hyattsville. The Faulkners have resided in Greenbelt six years, and Jimmy attended the North End school since he was five years old.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Klein, 12-H Plateau, had as their guests for Thanksgiving weekend his parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. Klein of New York City.

Weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McGee, 25-D Ridge, were Meyer Shapiro and his fiancee of Albany, N. Y.

Diddie and Anne Richard have moved into their own home at 8810 Forty-ninth Avenue, Branchville, Md., new phone Tower 5964. All her friends will miss Anne, who was formerly manager of the local beauty shop.

## COMMUNITY CHURCH PROTESTANT

### Ministers

Rev. Edward H. Bonsall, Jr.  
Phone :8241  
Rev. Eric T. Braund  
Phone: 5001

Sunday, December 4 - 9:30 a.m., Church school at North End and Center schools. 10 a.m., Men's Bible class. 10:55 a.m., Church nursery for pre-school age. 11 a.m., Church worship. Rev. Braund will begin a series of Advent sermons leading to Christmas, beginning with: "The Eternal Hope of Messiah." Christmas hymns throughout December, with music by the Senior choir directed by Mrs. John McClendon with Mrs. Daniel Neff at the organ. 5 p.m., Youth meeting, social room.

Monday, December 5 - 8 p.m., Board of Trustees meet at Daniel Neff's, 3-D Ridge.

## ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday: Masses, 7:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. in the parish hall. This Sunday is Holy Communion Sunday for members of the Holy Name Society at the 7:30 Mass.

Saturday: Confessions: 3 to 5 p.m. for children, 7 to 9:30 p.m. for adults, in the chapel.

Baptisms: 1 p.m. in the chapel, every Sunday.

Friday: December 2, First Friday of the month. Holy Communion at 6:30 a.m. in the chapel. Mass and Holy Communion at 7 a.m. in the parish hall. Holy Hour, Friday evening at 8 p.m. in the parish hall.

Thursday: December 8, Holy day of obligation, Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Masses at 6:30, 8 and 9 a.m. in the parish hall.

## MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Russell B. Reed, Minister  
Phone Shepherd 0035

### MOWATT MEMORIAL

Friday, December 2 - The WSCS will hold its annual bazaar in the lobby of the theatre, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Articles useful as Christmas gifts will be available.

Sunday, December 4 - Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; morning worship, 11 a.m. Sermon: "The Important."

Monday, December 5 - The regular meeting of the WSCS scheduled for this date has been postponed until December 12.

Tuesday, December 6 - The Methodist Men will bowl at College Park at 7 p.m.

Friday, December 9 - Choir rehearsals in the church at 7 p.m. All those interested in singing are invited to attend.

## GREENBELT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. Edwin E. Pieplow, Minister  
Phone WA. 0942  
WArfeld 0942

Thursday, December 1 - Choir meets at 2-F Plateau at 8 p.m.

Friday, December 2 - The Men's Club meets at the home of Emmett Gronert, 7-D Plateau at 8 p.m. Members who canvassed are requested to bring the cards which they received at the last meeting.

Sunday, December 4 - Sunday School for all, 11:30. Adult Bible class, 12 noon. Church Service, 12:30. All pledges are to be brought in for dedication. Evening service at Mt. Rainier, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, December 7 - Junior Confirmation Class, 7 p.m., in room 223 of the Center school. Deeper Spiritual Life Conference for adults, 8 p.m.

## HEBREW SERVICES

Morris Sandhaus, Rabbi  
Greenbelt 3593

All services are held in the social room of the community building. Friday, December 2—Services 8:30 p.m. Sermon - "Bar Mitzvah." Candlelighting—4:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 3 - Confirmation services of Bertram Steinman at 9:30 p.m. All are cordially invited.

## St. Hugh's Gives Bingo Party

All Greenbelters are invited to attend a bingo party in St. Hugh's parish hall on Monday, December 5, at 8:30 p.m. Sponsored by the parish, the purpose of the party is to raise money for blinds for the new parish hall. There will be cash prizes, including a door prize.

## Fox Tales

**Football Contest Winners:** Winners of silver footballs given by the Recreation Department at the Thanksgiving football contest which took place on Thursday morning at 10:30 were Jimmy Baxter, Marshall Gerstel, Fred Comings, and Allen Gerstel.

**Don't Forget** the Recreation Department Christmas Program: A Christmas play at North End school; Christmas carols in the Center on Christmas Eve; Santa Claus will give out Christmas canes to all children.

**Boys' Tumbling:** Don't forget to send your boys up to North End school on Friday afternoons to learn how to tumble. The hours are from 3:30 to 5. The classes are only for beginners.

**Dramatic Clubs:** All those interested in dramatics should come to the different classes at North End and Center school. Classes for fourth-graders are being held at North End on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 4:30, and classes for fifth and sixth graders at Center School on Wednesday from 3:30 to 4:30.

**Women's Gym:** Every Wednesday night from 7:30 to 10:30, all the women of Greenbelt are invited to come to the gym and have fun. You can play all types of games and do any type of exercise. We would like to have a larger turn-out so we can have leagues in basketball, volleyball, and other activities.

**Drop Inn:** Don't forget to get your membership cards so you will be able to enjoy the Friday and Saturday night sessions; you will not be able to come to the Drop Inn without a card. This Saturday night is Senior High election. You can only vote if you have a membership card. Let's make it 500 members. Junior and Senior high girls gym: Every Monday after school the girls meet for their play period and now have chosen teams to start their basketball league. Littleton versus Ramsdell team Monday at 4 p.m. Come out and watch the future stars of Greenbelt perform.

### Methodist Church Holds Bazaar

A bazaar will be held in the lobby of the theater, December 2, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., for the benefit of the Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church building fund. Articles useful for Christmas gifts have been donated by the downtown department stores. There will also be handmade gifts and a rummage table. The bazaar is sponsored by the Women's Society for Christian Service with Mrs. Dora McNeal as

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## Boys Club Team Loses Football Battle 12 - 0

A football game with social significance was fought to within 30 seconds of the game's end last Sunday, when the League of Nations defeated the Greenbelt Boys' Club senior team 12-0.

The battle grew in intensity as the game progressed, and the half ended with a scoreless deadlock. Scores came quickly and dramatically in the third and final quarters, both by long passes into the end zone. By this time four players had been banished from the game for "illegal use of the hands."

Jimmy Pantos, ex-Central High gridiron star, displayed flashes of his keen football ability by darting through openings in the line for several long gains. He returned the second half kick-off for a long run that almost paid off, except for a clipping penalty on the one-yard line.

The League of Nations football team is sponsored by the District police force, and the members of the team reside in the vicinity of 18th and Columbia Road N.W. They are the only football team in the area having both colored and white players.

The brisk winter weather failed to diminish an unusually large crowd of several hundred spectators, but accounted for a number of red noses by the end of the afternoon. A fist fight between two opposing players in the final seconds of the game was responsible for other discolored features and the premature ending of the game.

### Homemakers Meet

The organizational meeting of the Homemakers Club will be held on Wednesday evening, December 7, at 8:15 at the home of Mrs. Charles Orleans, 1-D Westway.

The program for the coming year will be discussed, officers elected, and suggestions made of gifts which can be made for Christmas.

Mrs. David Rothschild, president of the Homemakers' Clubs for Prince Georges County, will be guest of honor. Mrs. Joseph Cawley and Mrs. Harvey Wharton will be co-hostesses.

### "Hurricane" Cops Honors For Local Artist Shinn

Charles C. Shinn, 45-Q Ridge, was awarded honorable mention for his watercolor entry in the thirty-fourth annual exhibition of the Landscape Club of Washington, now on exhibit at the Arts Club Gallery in Washington. His painting is entitled "Hurricane."

Each year the club gives a single silver medal award for best painting in the annual show and honorable mention awards in oil, watercolor and black and white prints. The non-member jury of awards was composed of Mrs. Jessalee Sickman of the Corcoran School of Art and Robert L. Woodbury of the Institute of Contemporary Arts of Washington and the Instituto Politecnico, Mexico, D. F.

Last year Mr. Shinn had two Washington shows, one at the Arts Club and another at the Central Public Library. He is a frequent exhibitor in group shows in Washington and Baltimore, is vice-president of the Landscape Club and a member of the Society of Washington Artists. Five of his paintings are now on exhibit at the G street store of the P. J. Nee Company.

The Landscape Club exhibit will run through December 9 at the Arts Club.

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"I invited him in, asked him to have a seat, and ran upstairs with the excuse of turning the iron off. I quickly slipped into a dress and ran a comb through my hair before returning.

On again greeting the visitor, I asked, 'What church did you say you were representing?'

"And to my astonishment came the reply, 'Why lady, I'm not representing a church. I just wanted to know if you'd like to buy this beautifully bound and illustrated Bible for only \$12.50.'"

Jane Nutter

58-F Ridge Rd.

For this amusing real-life story, this week's winner gets the jackpot of prizes: a dozen "cokes" from Veterans Liquors, on Baltimore Boulevard; a ticket for two to the Greenbelt Theater, courtesy of GCS; and a 5x7 photograph from Hans Jorgensen, local photographer of 19-E Hillside. How about some Thanksgiving incident for next week?

### County Women Voters Sponsor Program

"Handicapped Children" will be the subject of a radio broadcast Monday on station WGAY, at 12:15 p.m., sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Prince Georges County.

Taking part in the program will be former mayor of Hyattsville, Colonel Caesar Aiello, health chairman of the Community Chest planning committee; Dr. T. S. Englar, county medical officer; and Mrs. Georgia Benjamin, chairwoman of the League health and welfare committee. Moderator for the discussion will be the league reporter, Mrs. Selma Posner.

This broadcast is the second in a series on the school health program. The League of Women Voters sponsors radio programs every Monday at 12:15 p.m. on station WGAY, to inform county residents of the workings of their county government.

### Mumps Dumps Attendance

The North End school attained the lowest attendance record in the month of October of elementary schools in Prince Georges County classified by four teachers or more. This information was obtained from records compiled by attendance workers in the Prince Georges County office, attendance department of the Board of Education. According to Miss Thelma Smith, principal of North End school, the absenteeism is greatly due to the large number of cases of mumps.

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## St. Hugh's Parish Holds Reception

The Sodality of St. Hugh's Church will hold a reception and Christmas social for old and new members at St. Hugh's Parish hall, Wednesday evening, December 7, at 8:30.

Father Nelson, spiritual director of the Sodality Union of Washington, will be the guest speaker. Miss Marcella Grandfield is chairman of arrangements, and there will be musical entertainment and refreshments.

A bake sale under the auspices of the Sodality will be held Saturday, December 3, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. in front of the Greenbelt theater. Mrs. John Fallon is chairman of the sale.



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### Boys' Club Basketball Begins Saturday

Robert Dove, director of the Greenbelt Boys Club, this week announced that all boys interested in playing basketball should report Saturday to the Center school gym. Midgets will report at 9, the Juniors at 10, and the Seniors at 11. Teams in the various class groups will be formed in order to promote an intra-mural league schedule. At the same time, preliminary try-outs for the representative teams is the Midgets, Juniors and Seniors classes will be made.

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(Ed. Note: Compare this practice with the  $\frac{1}{4}$  page of ads of "thanks" from some of these "smaller accounts" in the Washington Post for November 11, 1949 for A & P's "square" competition.)

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**"Goodwill" Needs Local Contributions**

By Aimee Slye

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Goodwill collects in Greenbelt the last Friday of the month, and may be reached at Metropolitan 5940 by anyone wishing to have the truck stop by to pick up a donation of repairable clothing, shoes, furniture, or household wares. Bottles, scrap paper, or materials that are beyond repair and useless should not be included in the Goodwill collection.

**Opera, Art Films Will Make Local Debut Soon**

Opera, operettas, and the arts may come to the Greenbelt theater soon, if plans of Manager John J. Eskridge materialize.

According to Eskridge, he is attempting to get 40-minute films are also planned, he said. The pictures will be shown periodically on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, he added.

**Workshop Building Needs Co-op Donations**

Greenbelters in the midst of church building-fund drives will find a familiar note in the current problem of the Workshop Center of the Arts (formerly Washington Workshop Cooperative): the culture co-op has outgrown its present quarters. Local cooperators who would like to see the Workshop succeed in buying a building to provide a cultural activities center for all co-op members will get dividends on their contributions to the building fund.

All contributors will be made honorary members of the Workshop Center for one year, and will have such privileges as free movies or concerts. Contributors of \$3 or more can also choose one of three original lithographs by leading local artists. Each contributor of \$50 or more will receive an original etching or lithograph contributed by Jacob Kainen, Jack Perlmutter, or another prominent Washington artist.

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**Chorus Begins Final Rehearsals Monday**

In preparation for its third annual mid-winter concert on January 23, the Greenbelt Community Chorus will begin final rehearsals next Monday evening at 8:30 in the home economics room of the community building.

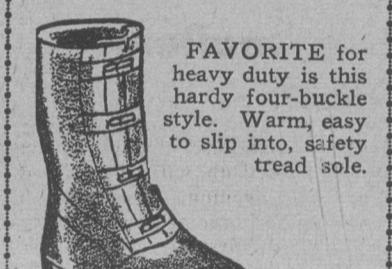
All former members who desire to sing in the concert are urged to attend Monday's rehearsal. New members are also welcome, provided they can attend rehearsals regularly.

During the past two months the chorus has been reorganized, new music has been tried out at the rehearsals, and a program for the concert selected.

Tickets for the January concert will be placed on sale later this month by William Dotson, chairman of the ticket committee, and may be obtained from any member of the chorus.

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In the field of fiction the most heavily reserved titles are: Point of No Return - Marquand; Let Love Come Last - Caldwell; Kinfolk - Buck; The Egyptian - Waltari; Gypsy Sixpence - Marshall; Born Strangers - Miller.

The librarians ask that a change of telephone number should be reported in making book reservations to facilitate notification when the book is available. If there is a delay in contacting the person who has been reached on the reserve list, the next person will be called. Prompt attention in calling for the book and returning it at the earliest moment will lessen the waiting period.

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